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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

This amendment responds to the Final Office Action mailed September 24, 2002 (Paper No. 9), sent in connection with the above-referenced application. This amendment is being timely filed in view of the accompanying Notice of Appeal and Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, and associated fee, which extends the time for response to the Office Action to and through March 24, 2003.

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1, as set forth below. A "marked-up" copy of the claims indicating the changes is attached hereto.

1. (Twice Amended) A method of measuring the level of lipid peroxidation in a mammal suspected of having an oxidant stress syndrome or disease, wherein said oxidant stress syndrome or disease is Alzheimer's disease, said method comprising

a) obtaining a first sample of a tissue or body fluid from said mammal;